**“Clinical narratives from Sheena’s Place”**

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For almost 20 years, Debbie Berlin-Romalis has facilitated support groups at *Sheena’s Place,* a non-residential, non-institutional centre for individuals, families, and friends affected by eating disorders. Through her clinical work and observations, Debbie has developed “trademarked concepts” that illustrate and highlight specific phenomena related to the social determinants of health and the onset and development of eating disorders.

In this webinar, Debbie will deconstruct the following three concepts:

* **Juicy Love**, which describes the *recipe* for a healthy and resilient child and the consequences of not raising a child in a safe living environment.
* **Busted Radar**, which explains the neurobiological development adaptation in trauma survivors with a specific focus on “re-training” the brain.
* **Crumb Theory**, which reviews the “historical” psychology of women and its relationship with today’s women and girls “settling for less” in their personal and professional lives.

Debbie has been practicing as a Social Worker/Psychotherapist since 1991. She has done considerable agency work in various women’s shelters and community-based services. In addition to her private work, Debbie practiced clinical social work in the Division of Haematology/Oncology at The Hospital for Sick Children from 1998 to 2014, working with children and their families in the Stem Cell Transplant Program and the Paediatric Brain Tumour Program. She has facilitated groups for women with eating disorders and body image issues at Sheena’s Place since 1998. From 1998 to 2008, Deborah was a member of the Health Sciences Review Committee for Bioethics and Research at the Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto. In 2003, she was appointed as an Adjunct Practice Lecturer at the Faculty of Social Work, University of Toronto. An active public speaker, she has presented at numerous conferences including TEDxToronto 2013.

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